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Newspapers: Butte: The Montana Standard, Missoula: Missoulian, Great Falls: Great Falls Tribune, Billings: Billings Gazette, and Dillon: Dillon Tribune Examiner

RE: Legal Notice on Proposed Bond Release for Rhodia, Inc., Maiden Rock Mine Site

Dear Editor:

Please place the following notice in the next legal publication section of your newspaper for two consecutive weeks, preferably the Sunday edition:

Legal Notice

Rhodia, Inc., has submitted a request to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for full bond release for the Maiden Rock mine site (Operating Permit 00002), located about seven miles north of Melrose, MT in Silver Bow County. The current bond is set at \$22,800.

The Maiden Rock mine site was a silica quarry and encompassed approximately 24.4 acres. DEQ inspected the site on July 8, 2011, and believes the site has been properly reclaimed. DEQ is proposing to release the remaining bond of \$22,800.

Pursuant to Section 82-4-338(5), MCA, DEQ may not release or decrease a reclamation bond until the public has been provided an opportunity for a hearing and a hearing has been held if requested. A request for a hearing on the proposed bond release must be submitted by August 17, 2011, to the postal or e-mail address set forth below.

Comments on the proposed bond release or requests for additional information should be sent to: Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Management Bureau, PO Box 200901, 1520 E. Sixth Ave., Helena, MT 59620-0901, or by contacting Herb Rolfes at (406) 444-3841 or hrolfes@mt.gov.

Please send your invoice, tear sheet, and affidavit of publication to Environmental Management Bureau of DEQ (address above). Please make sure your invoice contains Purchase Order #50312.008. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Herb Rolfes
Operating Permit Section Supervisor
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